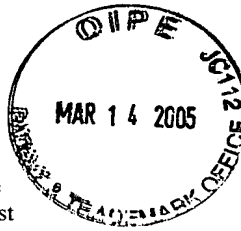


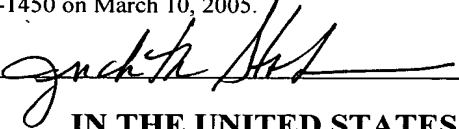
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Filed: June 18, 2002 : Examiner: Sheridan Snedden
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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to Official Action dated September 10, 2004, please amend the present application as follows:

Amendments to the Specifications begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are set forth in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.